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<u>RESPONSE</u>

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SIR:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 25, 2002. Please amend the above, identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 5, 6, 11, 18, and 21 as follows:

(Amended) Apparatus for switching data from any of a plurality of inputs to any of a plurality of outputs, comprising:

apparatus for receiving a plurality of input bit packs organized in a combination of input data rails and time slots;